

## How can you help at home?

### Reading

Please read at least four times a week with your child and write a comment in their Reading Record. We will read with the children and change their book once a week if they have read it at home four times the previous week. PLEASE SEND CHILDREN'S BOOK BAGS AND BOOKS TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY.

### Homework

Homework will be set weekly The children all have their own homework book that can travel to and from school. Please encourage your children to complete the homework as independently as possible

### PE

Our PE day is Monday. Please make sure your child comes in wearing their PE kit to school. Please ensure that the children do not wear jewellery at school on any day. This includes earrings. Children who are wearing earrings will not be allowed to participate in PE.

### Items from Home

Please ensure that the children do not bring any toys, sweets or accessories such as sunglasses/ jewellery from home they should only bring a coat, their school bag containing reading bag and spare clothes .

Term ends Friday 19th December at 12pm

## Reception class newsletter - Autumn Term 2025

Hello and a very warm welcome to the Reception class newsletter.

Throughout the year your children will be developing their skills and knowledge in the seven areas of learning listed below and through a range of different topics. This half term we will be focusing on the topic, 'lets Celebrate` Throughout the topic we will be planning lots of exciting and practical experiences to help your children learn in a stimulating and fun way.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development We will be constantly encouraging your children to develop their confidence and resilience skills by entering the classroom and sorting their coat and bag independently. We will also be reinforcing the importance of following routines and rules so that they can get along with other children and adults and feel happy and secure at school.

Communication and Language As well as introducing new vocabulary to the children we will be teaching them how to listen attentively to others and to express their own ideas clearly and in full sentences. We will encourage your children to listen to stories and ask questions about them. You will also have the opportunity to do this using your child's reading book. To help develop your child's language skills, please encourage your children to speak in full sentences at home – don't just accept one-word answers!

Physical Development As well as having a weekly PE lesson in which we will be covering the fundamental movement skills, all the children have daily access to our outdoor learning area, where they can explore and practise different ways of travelling safely and with control.

Literacy All the children will take part in a daily phonics lessons where, we have covered all phase 2 sounds in Autumn 1 and will now be working on learning the phase 3 sounds we will learn about the different phase 3 letters and sounds as well as what they look like and how to recognise them and write them. We will then begin to combine those sounds to help the children to read and spell simple words.

Maths In mathematics the children will be learning to understanding numbers 1-5, learning about circles & triangles and also shapes with 4 sides.

Understanding the World The children will have opportunities to develop their curiosity and observational skills linked to changes and seasons during Autumn and at Harvest; during our learning about autumn we will also learn about animals who hibernate. The children will also learn about festivals and celebrations and particular the celebrations within Autumn Term such as Christmas and Hanukkah to teach the children about different people, cultures and communities.

Expressive Arts and Design Where do we begin?! Amongst many other things your children will be painting, colour mixing, printing, exploring messy materials such as shaving foam, gloop and clay.

Islamic Studies & Arabic The children will be learning about the sunnah's of eating and drinking and also learning about sunnah foods; these are foods recommended or consumed by the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him), which hold both spiritual significance and health benefits.